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1. MFA OFFICIAL HAS CONFIRMED PRESS REPORTS THAT MINISTER OF STATE HIKMET CETIN WILL VISIT MOSCOW SEPTEMBER 28 TO OCTOBER 3 OR 4 AND SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER WILL VISIT ANKARA IN LATE SEPTEMBER.

2. MFA CONTACT SAID THAT CETIN WILL VISIT MOSCOW FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF TURKISH-SOVIET JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, AT WHICH TIME THE GOT HOPES TO COMPLETE AND SIGN A LONG-TERM
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TRADE AGREEMENT SUCH AS HAD BEEN AGREED UPON IN PRINCIPLE DURING PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT'S MOSCOW VISIT OF JUNE 21-25, 1978 (REFTELS). SAME SOURCE REPORTED THAT SOVIET TRADE MINISTER WILL HEAD A DELEGATION TO ANKARA FOR PRELIMINARY NEGOTIATIONS ON THIS TRADE AGREEMENT LATER THIS MONTH.

3. THE GOT EXPECTS THE USSR TO ACCEPT TURKISH EXPORTS

OF WHEAT AND MINERALS IN PAYMENT FOR ONE MILLION TONS
OF CRUDE PETROLEUM "THIS YEAR" AND THREE MILLION TONS
DURING EACH SUCCEEDING YEAR THROUGH 1981 (REF C).
HOWEVER, IT IS STILL UNCLEAR TO THE GOT WHETHER "THIS
YEAR" REFERS TO CALENDAR YEAR 1978 OR TO THE YEAR
ENDING MARCH 31, 1979, THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THE
NINETEENTH ANNUAL TURKISH-SOVIET TRADE AGREEMENT.

4. SOURCE OF THIS INFORMATION IS MUMIN ALANAT, MFA
SECTION CHIEF FOR BILATERAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH
THE SOVIET UNION. EMBOFF HAS ARRANGED APPOINTMENT WITH
ALANAT ON SEPTEMBER 11 AND WILL REPORT ANY FURTHER
INFORMATION THAT DEVELOPS. SPIERS

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